



“To provide every child with a classical and academically rigorous education while instilling a commitment to civic virtue and moral character”

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Savannah Classical Academy, Inc.
December 12, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy, Inc., was held at 4:30 pm, Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at Savannah Classical Academy, 705 East Anderson Street, on notice duly given.

The board directors present were:

Scott McGhie
Terri O'Neil
Paul Sidney
Jennifer Davenport
Lenorris Williams
Rick Roney
Barry Lollis, School Director

Absent, with notice:

Ryan Dew

It was determined there was a quorum as required by the bylaws for transaction of business.

Mr. McGhie, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Roney moved to approve the motion. Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to move the Auditor's Report under New Business to the front of the Agenda. Mr. Roney moved to approve the motion. Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to approve the Minutes from the October 12, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. Williams moved to approve the motion. Mr. Roney seconded. Approved unanimously.

Under New Business, Mr. McGhie introduced Shannon Brett, CPA, CFE, financial auditor from Holland, Bromley, Barnhill, and Brett LLP, to present the Auditor's Report for the prior fiscal year. The final, unmodified, independent Auditor's Report, along with required disclosures, were distributed to the

*****All reports discussed in the minutes are kept on file and are available for review. *****

Board for review. No critical or material deficiencies were found during the audit and the recommendation for the continued strong involvement of the Board and the Finance Committee in the ongoing accounting function was provided. Mr. McGhie thanked Ms. Brett for her time.

Mr. Lollis presented the CEO's Report, highlights of which included:

- An academic update including: presentation of academic data by cohort; discussion of preliminary College and Career Readiness Performance Index (CCRPI) data; review of Benchmark progress monitoring and data alignment; notice of Benchmark assessments scheduled for this week; and notice of Report Card distribution scheduled for January 5th.
- An enrollment, lottery, and growth strategy update for SY24-25.
- A facility update, including the HVAC control board issue, and the status of current renovations and building improvements, including the Pre-K buildout.
- Overview of past and upcoming events including: the Homecoming Dance on December 8th; the Fine Arts Showcase on December 14th at 6:00pm; campus closure for Semester Break from December 16th through January 2nd; the Varsity Basketball Tournament scheduled for December 27th through December 30th; and the January 7th Foundation event with performances from SCA's Strings and Chorus programs.

Ms. O'Neil presented the SCA Foundation report, highlights include the notice of a Friends of the Foundation event to be held on January 7th, receipt of over \$554,000 in year-end giving, and creation of a draft Foundation Board Chair Succession Plan. Ms. O'Neil, on behalf of the Savannah Classical Academy Foundation, requested a motion to be put forth to the Savannah Classical Academy Board of Directors to approve Leslie Littlejohn to serve on the SCA Foundation Board. Mr. McGhie stated that the nomination consideration will be added under New Business.

Mr. McGhie, on behalf of the Finance Committee, distributed the Financial Reports through October 2023 for review and discussion, providing a brief financial update and the status of the certificates of deposit.

Ms. O'Neil, on behalf of the Governance Committee, distributed the minutes from the November 29th meeting for review and discussion. Ms. O'Neil concluded with the notice of the next meeting date, scheduled for January 16th, with the agenda to include a list of potential Board of Director prospects to be presented.

Mr. Sidney, on behalf of the Academic Committee, distributed the Academic Accountability report for review and discussion, providing targeted goals and plans for progress monitoring. Mr. Sidney concluded with the notice of the next meeting the agenda to include the review of mid-year data.

There were no items on the agenda as Old Business.

Mr. McGhie, under New Business, called for a motion to approve Leslie Littlejohn to serve on the SCA Foundation Board. Mr. Sidney moved to approve the motion. Ms. Davenport seconded. Mr. McGhie, Mr. Sidney, Ms. Davenport, Mr. Williams, and Mr. Roney voted in approval of the motion. Ms. O'Neil abstained. Motion carries.

Mr. Williams moved to enter Executive Session at 5:58 pm to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Sidney seconded. Approved unanimously.

Ms. O'Neil moved to leave Executive Session and resume open session at 6:06 pm; Ms. Davenport seconded. Approved unanimously.

There was no Public Comment.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy adjourned at 6:08 pm.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 4:30 pm on January 9, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed copy on file)

Christina Orlandi under supervision of Ryan Dew, Secretary